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SUBJ: TRAVEL BY SECRET SERVICE AGENTS TO GEORGETOWN
REF: GEORGETOWN 4226 AND PREVIOUS.
DURING CONVERSATION DECEMBER 4 AMBASSADOR RAISED AGAIN WITH
FOREIGN MINISTER FRASERLEIGH JACKSON THE OUTSTANDING REQUEST
THAT SECRET SERVICE AGENTS BE PERMITTED TO COME TO GEORGETOWN
TO INTERVIEW FIVE SURVIVORS OF THE PEOPLES TEMPLE. MINISTER
JACKSON (WHO HAS TAKEN OVER AS CHAIRMAN OF THE GOG CABINET-
LEVEL JONESTOWN TASK FORCE IN THE TEMPORARY ABSENCE OF
MINISTER HAMILTON GREEN) SAID THAT THE REQUEST WAS STILL
"UNDER CONSIDERATION". HE HAS BEEN TOLD BY THE MINISTER OF
HOME AFFAIRS AND THE POLICE THAT THEY EXPECT TO HAVE A CASE
WITHIN A DAY OR SO OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE NO LONGER
NEEDED AS MATERIAL WITNESSES. IF THE THREE INDIVIDUALS
ON THE USSS LIST STILL AT LIBERTY, NAMELY THE TWO CARTERS
AND MIKE PROKES, ARE NO LONGER NEEDED BY GUYANESE AUTHORITIES,
PRESUMABLY THEY WILL BE TRAVELING TO THE U.S. IF THAT IS THE
CASE, THE GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA WOULD PREFER THAT
INTERVIEWS WITH THEM TAKE PLACE THERE AND NOT IN
GUYANA. REGARDING REIKMAN AND LAYTON, THE REMAINING
TWO NAMES ON THE USSS LIST, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS
THE QUESTION OF THEIR INTERROGATION BY THE SECRET
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SERVICE UNDER STUDY TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT SUCH
INTERVIEWS MIGHT PREJUDICE IN ANY WAY THE GOVERNMENT'S
CASES AGAINST THEM. IF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DETERMINES
THAT THEIR INTERROGATION WOULD HAVE NO EFFECT ON THE
CASES, PRESUMABLY THE SECRET SERVICE WOULD BE GIVEN
PERMISSION TO COME IN AND QUESTION THEM.
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